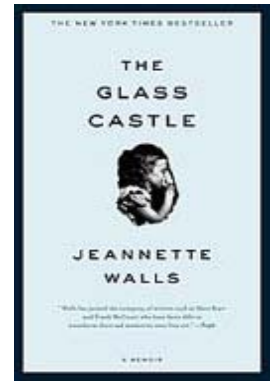


**2011 Chiles High School
Summer reading requirement
TCC/Dual Enrollment ENC 1101/1141**

Note: Students will take both an objective test on each book and will also have an assigned essay response on each book during the first weeks of school.



All TCC ENC 1101/1141 students are required to read the following two books before fall semester 2011:

***The Poisonwood Bible* by Barbara Kingsolver © 1998 (543 pages)**

The Poisonwood Bible is a story told by the wife and four daughters of Nathan Price, a fierce, evangelical Baptist who takes his family and mission to the Belgian Congo in 1959. They carry with them everything they believe they will need from home, but soon find that all of it -- from garden seeds to Scripture -- is calamitously transformed on African soil. What follows is a suspenseful epic of one family's tragic undoing and remarkable reconstruction over the course of three decades in postcolonial Africa.

***The Glass Castle* by Jeannette Walls © 2005 (288 pages)**

The Glass Castle is a remarkable memoir of resilience and redemption, and a revelatory look into a family at once deeply dysfunctional and uniquely vibrant. When sober, Jeannette's brilliant and charismatic father captured his children's imagination, teaching them physics, geology, and how to embrace life fearlessly. But when he drank, he was dishonest and destructive. Her mother was a free spirit who abhorred the idea of domesticity and didn't want the responsibility of raising a family. The Walls children learned to fend for themselves until they finally found the resources and will to leave home. This book is truly astonishing - a memoir permeated by the intense love of a peculiar, but loyal, family. Jeannette Walls has a story to tell, and tells it brilliantly, without an ounce of self-pity.

